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The source of infection in this case has not been traced, and nothing has been found that would throw any light on the matter, except that the store in which she sometimes served, was directly over the mouth of a sewer that received refuse from Chinese quarters further up the town. No other cases have been reported in Hilo so far as known at the present time. The arrangements for shipping sugar at Hilo without exposure to possible infection are better than at Honolulu or Kahului. There are no docks which can be used by vessels, and cargo is discharged and received in open bay. Most of the sugar comes in inland steamers some distance from Hilo, and is transferred directly to the vessel receiving it.

In one instance, that of what is called the Portuguese Mill situated in the city, orders were given that no sugar be shipped from this mill until all danger of infection is past and the United States consular agent at Hilo will see that they are carried out.

We returned to Honolulu on Friday the 16th instant.

There have been so few cases lately that the antiplague serum has not had a fair trial.

The *Australia* leaves for San Francisco to-day with a large list of cabin passengers, all of whom have been under observation for fifteen days before departure and they are all from healthy parts of the city. All baggage has been disinfected by formalin and labeled.

Respectfully,

D. A. CARMICHAEL,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

IRELAND.

Report from Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, February 24, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report on the transactions at this port for the two weeks ended February 17 and 24, respectively, as follows:

Date.	Vessels inspected.	Destination.	Passengers.			Cargo.
			Saloon.	Second cabin.	Third class.	
Feb. 11	Steamship <i>Campania</i>	New York.....	6	29	198	0
Feb. 15	Steamship <i>Teutonic</i>.....	.....do.....	11	19	306	0
Feb. 18	Steamship <i>Cevic</i>.....	.....do.....	0	0	0	0
Feb. 22	Steamship <i>Germanic</i>.....	.....do.....	5	0	155	0
Feb. 23	Steamship <i>Ultonia</i>	Boston.....	0	0	75	0
Feb. 22	Steamship <i>Rhynland</i>	Philadelphia.....	(a)	11	57	0

a Crew, 1.

Respectfully,

J. H. OAKLEY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Report from Genoa.

GENOA, ITALY, February 12, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report the following transactions at this port for the week ended February 11:

On February 8, steamship *Ems*, North German Lloyd Line, for New

York via Naples, 27 cabin and 43 steerage passengers and 29 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed.

February 10, steamship *Spartan Prince*, the Prince Line, bound for New York via Naples, 3 cabin and 37 steerage passengers and 19 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed.

Respectfully,

RUPERT BLUE,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GENOA, ITALY, *February 19, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit abstract of bills of health and the regular report of inspections for the week ended February 18: On February 15, steamship *Kaiser Wilhelm II*, North German Lloyd Line, bound for New York via Naples; 43 cabin and 100 steerage passengers and 77 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed. There were 3 rejections on account of favus, trachoma, and anchylosis of the knee-joint, respectively.

Respectfully,

RUPERT BLUE,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Naples.

NAPLES, ITALY, *February 14, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended February 14, 1900, the following ships were inspected:

On February 9, the steamship *Ems* of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 22 cabin and 726 steerage passengers and 97 pieces of large and 656 pieces of small baggage.

On February 10, the steamship *Chateau Yquem* of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 407 steerage passengers and 57 pieces of large and 428 pieces of small baggage. The contents of 3 large and 5 small pieces of baggage were disinfected by means of steam.

On February 14, the steamship *Spartan Prince* of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 10 cabin and 915 steerage passengers and 125 pieces of large and 941 pieces of small baggage.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

JAPAN.

No case of plague since January 13—Dysentery decreasing.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *February 7, 1900.*

SIR: I am pleased to have the honor to report that no new case of plague has occurred in Japan, with the exception of Formosa, since January 13, the date of the latest case at Osaka. I am, however, continuing the disinfection of the effects of all passengers from or who have